

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An objective lens device and an optical pickup employing the objective lens device. The objective lens device is formed of three lenses including a lens having a negative power and formed of material having an Abbe number which is 45 or less in line d. At least one surface of surfaces of the three lenses is formed to be aspherical. Thus, in the objective lens device, a high numerical aperture of 0.70 or more is realized and chromatic aberration is corrected with respect to blue light enabling improved recording and/or reproduction using blue light.